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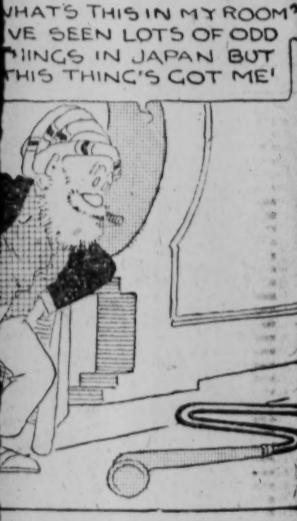
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FURTHER BLASTS AT POYDRAS DIKE TO INSURE SAFETY OF NEW ORLEANS

Engineers Explode Additional Charges in Attempt to Widen Gap in Levee 12 Miles Below City.

SLIGHT FALL IN GAUGE AT THE CITY

Result of Cutting of Embankment Expected to Be Visible There Tomorrow, However.

By Associated Press.
NEW ORLEANS, April 20.—Additional charges of dynamite were fired today in Poydras levee at the east bank of the Mississippi River 12 miles below this city in an effort to widen the breach and allow for a greater flow of the river waters.

A motorcycle courier took this message to New Orleans from Dr. Schmitz, engineer: "Don't fail to get two tons of dynamite by 10 a.m. tomorrow. Will lay over and wait tomorrow. Spare no expense."

The first charge of dynamite into the levee today widened a gap near the point where the water was greatest and the water is rushing through with greater speed.

At 5 a.m. the largest of the three trenches cut by yesterday's bombing was 60 feet wide. The nose of the additional blasts is now at the point of discovery a week ago that planes were operating in the smuggling of aliens. Early today agents were informed that three planes had left Tijuana and had been seen passing over San Diego.

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Traffic below Violet was permanently closed today when the bridge over Lake Borgne was washed away.

First Results of Yesterday's Blast on Dike Disappointing

By CARLOS E. HURD, Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW ORLEANS, April 20.—New Orleans watched its river gauge today and hourly readings were taken to see whether the Mississippi was falling as expected, because of the breach made by a series of dynamite charges in the Poydras levee at Braithwaite, 12 miles south of the city, yesterday morning.

The opening in the levee was made and Braithwaite is under water today. But the levee proved unexpectedly firm, or the dynamite charges were insufficient, for the water trickles of water widened but little, and it took a vigorous attack with shovels to open even more respectable channels which were far from uniting into one great crevasse. To meet the engineers plans and to lower the Mississippi 30 inches, for the greater safety of New Orleans against flood, now descending from the Illinois-Vicksburg region, the river must be relieved of 250 cubic feet of water a second at Braithwaite. Only a section of the operation, which consisted of two blasts at points 50 feet apart and smaller supplementary blasts, widening the aperture somewhat. Some reports speak of Braithwaite as Caernarvon which is the name of an oyster cannery there.

The Bankrupt Baron

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WARMER TOMORROW;
CLOUDY TONIGHT, TOMORROW
THE TEMPERATURES.

1500 ALMONY
IS A REEL
TRAGEDY FOR
A COMEDIAN

Official fore-

cast for St. Louis
in the vicinity:

Partly cloudy to

night and tomor-

row; warmer to

tomorrow.

Missouri: Partly

cloudy to

cloudy tonight

slightly warmer to

tomorrow in the

northwest portion

and in the east

and south portions

tomorrow.

Illinois: Fair

tonight; slightly

warmer in the

west portion; to-

morrow, increasing

cloudiness and

warmer, showers in the northwest

portion.

Sunrise 6:53; sunset (tomorrow)

5:02.

Stage of the Mississippi, 31.9 feet,

a fall of 1.5.

Weather Outlook for Week.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Weather outlooks for the week beginning Monday, May 2 for the upper Mississippi and lower Missouri Valleys: One or more precipitation periods; temperatures normal or below most of week.

AVIATOR KILLED BY OFFICERS AS ALLEGED ALIEN SMUGGLER

Federal Agents Seize Three Planes Near Los Angeles—Inquiry Into Raid.

By Associated Press.

LOS ANGELES, April 20.—Federal agents today captured three airplanes in which they charged aliens were being smuggled into California from Mexico. One aviator was shot and killed in the seizure. Two other aviators were seized.

The dead aviator was identified as Arthur D. Daugherty, 40 years old, of this city.

The Eagle airport, near Gardena, a suburb, was the immediate locale of the capture. The successful search was the result of discovery a week ago that planes were operating in the smuggling of aliens. Early today agents were informed that three planes had left Tijuana and had been seen passing over San Diego.

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A Great Hero

But John D. Kissinger, who at 27 years ago sacrificed his health and his future, happiness that yellow fever might be conquered, today lives on the verge of poverty, almost forgotten except for a pension of \$100 a month from the government, granted after years of red tape. The story of this man's heroism will be a feature tomorrow in the Magazine section of the Post-Dispatch.

Fleet Indians

Money couldn't lure the Tarahumara Indians from their mountain fastness in Mexico, to compete in foot races, but when a school was promised the fleetest of the tribe came forth, and the story of their amazing races over long distances will be another feature of tomorrow's Post-Dispatch.

ST. LOUIS APRIL RAINFALL NEARLY DOUBLE THE NORMAL

Only 11 Days Without Precipitation; Month's Highest Temperature 82, Lowest 34.

In St. Louis lived up to its reputation for wet weather this year. Almost twice the normal amount of rain for the month fell on the city. The precipitation was 6.30 inches, normal is only 3.52.

There was extremely heavy rain throughout the Mississippi Valley this April, one reason for the great flood.

It rained hard here on 14 days this month and there were sprinkles too small to measure on five other days. Eleven days had no rain, and there were six days on which the sun failed to appear. The only days on which the sun shone from dawn till dusk were last Tuesday and Thursday. By far the larger part of the rain fell on 10 days, from the seventh to sixteenth—5.01 inches. The heaviest fall for a 24-hour period was 1.28 inches, April 10.

The month had a 48-degree range in temperature, the lowest 24 on the twenty-second and the highest 82 last Thursday. It has seen the Mississippi rise to a flood crest of 36.1 feet here and drop back again.

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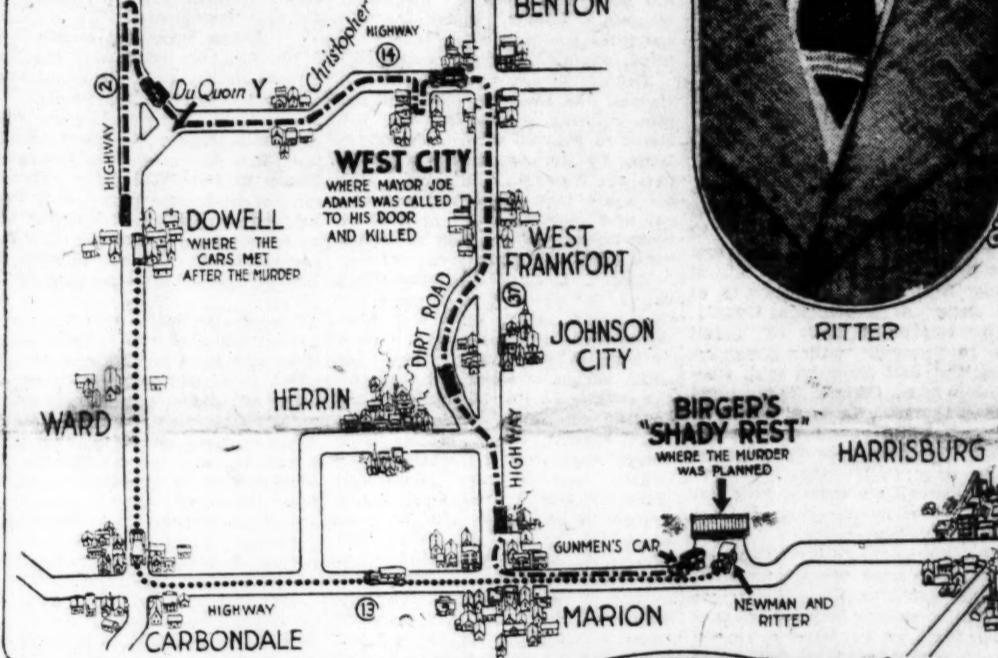
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YOUTH CONFESES KILLING MAYOR JOE ADAMS; SAYS BIRGER HIRED HIM FOR \$50

THREE GANGSTERS accused of instigating the murder of Illinois Mayor; map of the crime; state officials who solved the mystery.



MAP of route which the surviving assassin of Mayor Joe Adams was taken from "Shady Rest," gangster cabin of Charlie Birger in Williamson County, to the scene of the crime and to the meeting point with "Art" Newman and Connie Ritter.

LINDBERGH DEFERS FLIGHT TO ST. LOUIS FROM COAST

Tuning Up of Trans-Atlantic Plane at San Diego May Require Several Days.

Quarreled Over Many Things.

POLICE CAPTAIN KIRK told of Mrs. Iannicola's confession of the shooting and her flight to Springfield, Ill. Mrs. Iannicola told him she and Mrs. Miller had quarreled over the water supply, ringing of doorbells and cutting of clotheslines. There had been no words on the day of the shooting, but Mrs. Iannicola thought it a "good time to settle the trouble."

Mrs. Iannicola was wearing a red hat, tan coat and hose and a plaid coat dress. She is dark, heavy and of medium height.

Spotted the Post-Dispatch.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 30.—Charles Lindbergh's nonstop flight to St. Louis, which was tentatively scheduled for today, has been put off until Monday or Tuesday in order to give more time for tuning up his 200-horsepower Ryan monoplane.

He is working on minor repairs today and will make further test flights this afternoon and tomorrow.

After his arrival in St. Louis it will be but a short while before he hops off for Roosevelt Field, L. J., where the ship will be made ready for the flight to Paris.

A committee of St. Louisans who are financing the transatlantic flight will christen Lindbergh's ship, "The Spirit of St. Louis." The pilot said here today that he would try to start across the Atlantic as soon after his arrival as East as possible.

He obtained a revolver from her trunk, some cartridges from a wardrobe, and then went into the yard and, without saying anything, three times at Mrs. Miller. Capt. Kirk said she confessed. The first two bullets went wild, the third severed Mrs. Miller's spinal cord.

Called to the witness stand and advised of her constitutional right not to testify, Mrs. Iannicola said: "I have nothing to say." She was taken to jail. An indictment for murder will be sought from the grand jury Tuesday.

JOB 95 YEARS IN ONE FAMILY

CONSUL R. L. SPRAGUE at Gibraltar Succeeded Father and Grandfather. Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—In recognition of the extraordinary length of service by members of one family in a single foreign post, Secretary Kellogg yesterday sent a telegram of commendation to Consul Richard L. Sprague at Gibraltar.

For 95 years the consulate at Gibraltar has been administered by a Sprague. Horatio Sprague of Massachusetts was appointed Consul in 1832. His son, James S. Sprague, succeeded him in 1852.

On his death was succeeded by his son, Horatio J., appointed May 12, 1885. Horatio served 53 years and on his death in July, 1911, was succeeded by his son, Richard Louis, the present Consul.

GIRL, 24, GETS YEAR TO LIFE

FLORENCE STOKES Sentenced for Killing Sweetheart.

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, April 30.—Florence Stokes, 24 years old, was sentenced to serve from a year to life in Joliet penitentiary today for the killing of her sweetheart, by Judge William V. Brothers, who said he had a daughter "and it is far from a pleasure for me to sentence you."

The young, red-haired girl, shot James S. Glennon, 22, to death,

she said, and had handed her a revolver and told her to "use it."

She said he was killed when they wrestled for the weapon. A jury

found her guilty of manslaughter.

MISSOURI POSTOFFICE LOOTED

Robbers Get \$600 and Stocks and Bonds at Newburg.

SUIT TO BLOCK MOVE TO DIVERT SPECIAL TAXES

Library, Art Museum and Zoo to Attack Aldermen's Failure to Segregate Levy for Them.

**ACTION EXPECTED
WITHIN A WEEK**

**Supreme Court to Pass on
Administration's Attempt
to Control Extra \$900,
000 of Revenue.**

Legal action to combat the city administration's attempt to seize control of the finances of the Public Library, Art Museum and Zoo, by arbitrarily abolishing special taxes voted by the people of St. Louis, probably will be started by the boards of control of those institutions within the next week.

Since the Board of Aldermen summarily approved the annual tax bill yesterday, levying the maximum, \$1.35 on the \$100 valuation, for the purpose of omitting the special taxes of 4 cents each for the Library and 2 cents each for the Museum and Zoo, the next action must come from the boards of control.

Inasmuch as the control of about \$900,000 a year in special tax revenue is at stake, and the Art Museum is threatened with the loss of valuable collections under gift clauses forbidding political control, prompt action is expected. The library Board will meet Tuesday afternoon, the Art Museum Board probably Monday afternoon, and the St. Louis Zoological Society, which watches over the city-controlled Zoo Board, has consulted its attorney.

Probable Procedure.

The probable procedure will be for one of the boards to demand money under its special tax, and, when refused or questioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, the Supreme Court for a writ of mandamus compelling payment.

The Supreme Court would then rule on the constitutionality of the special taxes, which the administration holds are invalid. Meanwhile, the institutions must draw on funds now available—there is a balance of about \$600,000 in the special tax funds—and take their chances with various other legal departments in the fight for further appropriations from the Board of Estimate.

The administration's purpose is to make the Library, Museum and Zoo dependent on appropriations and create a condition under which the Board of Estimate can require the three institutions to share the burden of the \$1,000,000 deficit existing in other city departments.

For example, without special taxes, the board could withhold appropriations until the money on hand is exhausted, and then redirect the city deficit and maintain its hold in other departments by cutting the Library, Museum and Zoo allocations.

Fights Special Taxes.

The administration points to the efforts of the Park and Playgrounds Association to obtain a special tax for park and recreation purposes, and argues that if special taxes are permitted to continue the result will be that all of the \$1.35 maximum for municipal purposes will be absorbed by such special taxes.

At the Library, Museum and Zoo are constituted today the Museum is the only institution technically free of City Hall influence, inasmuch as its board is self-perpetuating. It is for this board to decide whether yesterday's tax bill constitutes political interference as described in gifts constituting half its collections, from Washington University, William K. Bixby, Edward Mallinckrodt, the Daniel Caton estate, the Ellis Wainwright estate and others. The donors or their heirs would determine whether the collections would be withdrawn.

Mayor's Powers.

The members of the Library Board are appointed by the Mayor for overlapping terms and cannot be removed by him. Inasmuch as the members are not paid and the precedent has always been to appoint men free from political affiliations, the Library has always been free of City Hall influence. In the Zoo Board, five city officials, including the Mayor, are ex-officio members and four others are appointed by the Mayor.

When the tax bill was passed yesterday only four Aldermen—Ellers, Biefling, Wimer and Hahn—cast dissenting votes. The budget bill appropriating \$27,432,785 was also passed unanimously, and as a result city employees received a month's pay, including the April mid-month pay, which was held up for lack of funds. Library, Art Museum and Zoo employees are always paid on time.

Cited for Doctrinal Error.

PITTSBURG, April 29.—A committee of the Pittsburgh school of the Evangelical Lutheran Church has recommended that the Rev. Dr. Frank Edwin Smith be cited to appear before the synod at its next convention to answer charges of "doctrinal error."

Youth Who Confesses Killing Mayor Adams; Decoy Note He Says Connie Ritter Wrote



HARRY THOMASSON,
Gumman who confesses that he and his brother assassinated Mayor Joe Adams, and says they did it by direction of Charlie Birger, gang leader, getting \$50 each for the job.

YOUTH CONFESSES BIRGER HIRED HIM TO KILL MAYOR ADAMS

Continued from Page One.

or in 1919. After getting out of the care of the State, the boys were knocked around and left to shift for themselves, until they fell in with the Birger gang of robbers and murderers a year ago. Elmo then was 16 and Harry 15. Birger quickly made gummen of these boys and, it is charged, selected them to do his shooting for him in the killing of Mayor Adams, as he is said to have had others do his gunning in disposing of other men he feared to face.

Testimony of the Court.

In court today, Harry Thomasson told that Birger had selected him and his brother, Elmo, to kill Adams, before consulting them, and that on the night of Dec. 11, at Shady Rest Cabin, rendezvous of the gang in Williamson County, Birger instructed them in detail how to proceed. Other gangsters present at that time, he said, were Art Newman, Connie Ritter and Harvey Dungy. Harry said that he and his brother and the others met at the cabin next day, Sunday, and were given weapons by Birger and a car with a driver. Ray Hyland, Birger previously had agreed to pay them \$50 for each shot that hit Adams. Harry told the court, adding that Birger got from Ritter the money with which he paid Newman and Ritter, and he said further: "I phoned them with whisky before they left the cabin to do the killing, and had escorted them part of the way to West City and offered them more whisky, which they declined.

Prosecution Has Corroboration.

State's Attorney Martin announced he would be prepared to corroborate nearly all the detail of a lengthy confession made to him by Thomasson, the text of which will not be disclosed before Birger's trial so witnesses named therein may be protected.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Jan. —

If you can use these boys please do it. They are broke and need work, I know their father.

C. S.

After carefully scanning the note, State's Attorney Martin concluded from the phrase, "I know their father," that the writer inadvertently had let it be known that the slayers were brothers.

Working on this clew, he learned that the only brothers in Birger's gang were Harry and Elmo Thomasson.

How They Murdered Mayor.

Taking this note, Harry continued, he and Elmo set out from "Shady Rest" for West City in an automobile driven by Ray Hyland. Part of the way, he added, they were accompanied by another car in which Art Newman and Connie Ritter rode. The cars separated near Marion, at the junction of State Highways 13 and 37, the gunmen going north to West City, and the others continuing west on State Highway 2 and then north to Dowell, where the cars were to meet.

Birger was even more impudent than he told his wife he was.

Hyland, too, gunned down new Mayor Adams' home in West City, Harry related. The brothers walked to the home of the Mayor and knocked. Mrs. Adams came to the door and when told they had a note for Joe from Carl Shelton, she called her husband from another room.

Harry told the court that Elmo handed the decoy note to Adams and as the Mayor began to real-

*East St. Louis, Jan.
Friend Joe —
If you can use
these boys please do it.
They are broke and
need work, I know
their father.
P. S.*

Connie Ritter

Facsimiles of the decoy note "from Carl Shelton," which the assassins used successfully to lure Mayor Adams to his front door, and Connie Ritter's signature. The confessed slayer asserted the note was written by Ritter, one of Birger's lieutenants.

A St. Louis handwriting expert retained by State's Attorney Martin has compared the decoy note with Ritter's signature and pronounced the writing identical. The words "their father" were the clew which led to the solution of Adams' murder. A process of elimination pointed to the Thomasson boys, who were the only brothers in the Birger gang.

It, he, Harry, shot Adams twice with a 45-caliber revolver, and Elmo shot him with a .38-caliber weapon. Adams was killed and sentence to death at the first shot. Harry is believed to have had others do his gunning in disposing of other men he feared to face.

Witness Identified Slayer.

Working on his theory that the phrase in the note, "I know their father," clearly indicated that the slayers of Mayor Adams were brothers, State's Attorney Martin took Mrs. Adams secretly to look at Harry in the Williamson County jail before he was removed to Pontiac. She positively identified him as one of the youths who had shot her husband. Also she identified a photograph of Elmo as that of the other.

There also will be other witnesses, some of the Birger gang, who will turn against their chief, to supply corroborating details of Birger's deliberate and painstaking plan to have Mayor Adams assassinated. Their testimony, to be given at the trial of Birger, also is expected to throw some light on other mysterious murders committed for the Birger gang by paid youths under the direction and domination of leaders who posed as "super-gummen."

Meantime Harry Thomasson will be carefully guarded in prison and other known witnesses will be protected, for there are three Birger gangsters in prison, all loyal to Birger and who it is believed would resort to any desperate measure to save their leader. These three are said to have been recently connected with the abduction and murder of State Highway Patrolman Price. Hyland is in jail.

Birger's Defense an Alibi.

Birger had planned an alibi for himself, in the event the killing of Mayor Adams was traced to his gang, according to the Associated Press.

He had gone to Marion and was in conversation with State's Attorney Boswell of Williamson County Co. according to a late tabulation last night.

A donation of \$1000 to the Red Cross fund for relief of sufferers from the flood of the Mississippi and its tributaries was voted unanimously by the Merchants' Exchange today and a check forwarded at once.

A plea for physicians to volunteer their services in Red Cross relief work was issued yesterday by the Missouri State Medical Association, which sent telegrams to every city, Springfield, Joplin, Sedalia, Columbia, Moberly and Hannibal asking that 55 doctors be enlisted and held in readiness. About 250 St. Louis doctors have already volunteered for the work.

Former California U. Athlete Shot to Death

Clay Klingman, killed by Friend Who Aimed Pistol Supposing It to Be Unloaded.

By the Associated Press.

AUBURN, Calif., April 30.—Clay Klingman, former University of California athlete, was accidentally shot to death by Robert Tyson of San Francisco at a ranch near here.

Tyson said he pointed a pistol at Klingman, but thought the weapon was not loaded. The bullet hit and was removed to a sanitarium. He is the son of the late James C. Tyson, capitalist, and recently inherited \$250,000 from an uncle.

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JOSEPH PULITZER.
April 10, 1907.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

The name and address of the author must accompany every contribution, but on request will not be published. Letters not exceeding 200 words will receive preference.

Wabash-Delmar Viaduct.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
I was indeed with a great deal of satisfaction that I read your editorial and comments in regard to the efforts that we are trying to make in connection with the Wabash-Delmar crossing viaduct, and I desire to express my appreciation. There has been a long fight and only those citizens that live in that section of the city, or in other words the Twenty-eighth Ward, whom I represent, know what we had to contend with and we hope that you will lend your further efforts to give us a start at least, so that the work can be carried on by degrees until a satisfactory decision is made by all concerned, as in this way we will get results.

It is our intention to try to start the foundations and piers so that this part of the structure will be ready without interfering with the traffic until the question as to clearance is decided. This will shorten the time for the actual building of the viaduct and will not interfere with whatever grade might be established.

We have received a favorable decision from the City Counselor stating that he sees no reason why this procedure cannot be taken in order to hasten the completion of the project.

H. C. WALDMAN,
Alderman, Twenty-eighth Ward.

Sacco and Vanzetti.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
THE eyes of civilization are fixed upon two men, Sacco and Vanzetti, in horror at their extraordinary case, condemned, yet innocent.

Will justice, paralyzed, drop her scales and the weight of prejudice, calumny and cowardice bear down truth and fair dealing?

No, this cannot happen while the poor and oppressed everywhere have a champion as fair as the Post-Dispatch.

The small points and discrepancies argued by Mr. Frankfurter and explained and dissipated by the Post-Dispatch prove over and over again the faultiness of the first trial. Why one of these men proved his alibi or can prove it by 11 witnesses. He was away at the time killing fish. How can a new trial be denied? It seems impossible and unthinkable in this country of ours under our blue sky.

If such an execution did take place good people throughout the world would not sleep that night.

MRS. J. B. ROBINSON.

The Mentally Defective Criminal.
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

I AM not the official spokesman of Dr. William Nelson, who gave expert testimony in the Johnson trial, but I don't entirely share his opinion on the doctor's suggestion was entirely fair.

The doctor, after examining Johnson, declared him mentally unfit an insane asylum rather than a penitentiary case. You recommend the penitentiary for the protection of society, ignoring the fact that this very young man is already an ex-convict. It will be much easier for Johnson to again gain his freedom from the penitentiary than it would be confined in an institution for the criminal insane.

When he is released (as he probably will be) do you think his training in the penitentiary will fit him for his old society or shall we ignore the problem and wait his next crime and return him to the penitentiary?
EL TORO.

The Administrations' Foreign Relations Policy.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
I WOULD like to call the attention of

Mr. J. M. Sprecker of Springfield to the fact written by Monte Stover and Marcial F. Lickame: "The Philippines and the United States" to be had by sending to Kirby-Page, 347 Madison Avenue, New York City, and the truth about Nicaragua by Amy Wood in the Searchlight on Congress, Washington, D. C. This perhaps would open a new vision of his wrong conception that the South American people need white men to rule them and civilian them.

If the white men were to help develop these countries to a just and honorable way instead of exploiting them it would be a credit to our country, but the way it is carried on, through the influence of unscrupulous money sharks, is deplorable and wrong. It reflects upon our own country and warns us as to what our people may expect if it goes unchecked.

A JUSTICE LOVING CITIZEN.

Charged With Disloyalty.
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

I THERE any hope that you and others like you of our mongrel press will take to heart the President's words and be a little more loyal to your country and your Government—a little less bitterly biting partisan?

It's bad enough that you condone domestic law-breaking and help the criminal element in the country. You should not stab Uncle Sam in the back, as he faces a more or less hostile world.

"PATRICIUS."

THE CITY HALL'S VICTORY.

Mayor Miller and the city administration at last have succeeded in capturing the Zoo, the Library and the Art Museum. Yesterday the Board of Aldermen passed the annual tax bill which eliminates the special taxes for the support of these institutions and reduces them to the status of the Garbage Department and the City Jail. These special taxes, 8 cents on the \$100 valuation, were voted by the free will of the people for the express purpose of freeing the Zoo, the Library and the Art Museum from political domination. The institutions themselves are a source of great pride to St. Louis, and the act of making them independent has been heralded throughout the United States as an excellent example of municipal advancement.

Of course, a strong fight will be made to restore their independence, and the courts will be asked to pass upon it. But it is an imposition that such a fight must be made. The only warrant for the administration's action was the unsupported opinion of a member of its law department that the special taxes are unconstitutional and in violation of the city charter. We do not think that opinion is enough to justify what the administration has done. Whether it is good law or not, the opinion was used in a tricky way to put hundreds of thousands of dollars of additional tax money at the administration's disposal, and to add a wealth of jobs to the existing stock of the patronage-dispensers.

The people, who were consulted when the special taxes were set aside, were ignored when the administration desired to nullify their wishes. Perhaps Mayor Miller and his advisers decided this was the only way the deal could be put over. How smart they were remains to be seen. We believe they were not smart at all and that in the end, they will conclude that to do it that way was not only a piece of bad judgment and bad taste, but also poor politics.

While we await the decision of the courts, the capture is an accomplished fact. The so-called \$500,000 surplus which the Zoo, the Library and the Art Museum are supposed to have hoarded is not a surplus at all. It represents money collected under the special taxes which has not yet been turned over to the institutions. We are assured by the city that their needs will be supplied from that sum. But henceforth they are supplicants. They exist at the city hall's pleasure from funds which the people of St. Louis expressly set aside for their use.

A STUDY IN COMPARATIVE LUXURY.

When a special train of six luxurious Pullmans built for the President of Mexico at a cost of \$500,000 passed through St. Louis a few days ago some of us were shocked. It was pointed out that when the President of the United States, a vastly richer country, goes traveling he does so in an ordinary Pullman such as we all use.

Which is forgetting that railroad riding is not, as it is in Mexico, our presidential sport. When Mr. Coolidge wants a little pomp, he has the Marfleur. Every word painter among Washington correspondents has attempted to give the country some feeble notion of the elegance and luxury of those week-ends down the Potomac. Certainly bumping around on a Mexican railroad, in no matter what sort of coaches, is not comparable to the heavy opulence of one of those cruises. We never were invited to go on one, but if we may believe the correspondents they surpass, as a pure contribution to howling swelledom and as something beyond the ordinary dreams of Barroca even the barge trips of the Caesars.

Is this something in which Mexico, a poor and wretched country, is trying to ape our rich and happy selves? Not at all. We gladly acquit the President of Mexico upon any such thoughtless charge. He is a poker, and is only trying to please.

JOHN DREW AND HORACE AS FARMERS.

"Like the Latin poet, I suppose I shall retire to my farm, though (deprecatingly) the only farm I have is my estate at East Hampton, Long Island."

Thus the veteran actor, John Drew, discussing his future after the "drums and trappings of show and many conquests." We shall not quarrel with his attitude. But we dissent in all good spirit from that inferiority complex of Mr. Drew's which seems to apologize for comparing his homeestead with "that one dear Sabine farm" to which Horace was wont to go when wearied of the city. A good enough farm, we dare say, up there where the cool Digesta bathed the feet of friendly hills. Horace praised it beautifully and tenderly, and permitted us glimpse of boozon gatherings that loved the solitude and as surely approved the Falernian. But as to the acres of oil and corn, the costs of production, what profits the books showed at the end of the year, there was never an inkling. Quintus Horatius Flaccus, we undertake to say, was not much of a business man. We doubt if he even kept any books. Well venture, if the truth were known, that Maecenas had to dig down and make up the deficit on whatever idea of March the deficit was due.

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Of Making Many Books

JOHN G. NEINHARDT

Before They Fenced It In

CHARLIE SIRINGO, one of the last of the old-time breed of Western adventurers, was born nearly three-quarters of a century ago in the extreme southern part of Texas when that country was still wild. He has gained much, one is persuaded to suppose, and yet there is something in the verses with which Mr. Siringo ends his narrative that is strangely moving:

"Twas good to live when all the range..."

Without a fence or fass, Belonged in partnership to God, The Government and us.

With skyline bounds from east to west.

With room to go and come, I liked my fellow man the best When he was scattered some.

When my old soul hunts range and rest...

Beyond the last divide, Just plant me on some strip of west...

That's sunny, lone and wide.

Let cattle rub my headstone round...

And coyotes wail their kin; Let horses come and paw the mound;

But don't you fence it in.

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STORIES, plays, poems and essays by students in the special extension courses in writing given by Columbia University.

THE MEDICAL FOLLIES, By Morris Fishbein, M. D. (Boni & Liveright.)

From the viewpoint of an orthopedic practitioner, Dr. Fishbein, professor of clinical medicine at the University of Chicago, discusses on culture and quackery.

MY WILD FLOWER GARDEN, By Herbert Durand. (Putnam.)

Mr. Durand tells in detail how he made a beautiful wild flower garden in a space of 60 by 100 feet.

Judging from the book this flower lover was justified in writing a book about his collaboration with Nature in the production of a work of art.

SOIAL JUSTICE, The Moral of the Henry Ford Fortune, By Charles Norman Far, (The Cosmos Press, Cambridge, Mass.)

Mr. Far has undertaken to show by examining the career of Henry Ford, "that private wealth is the foundation of the Commonwealth and that the unhampered working of the law of supply and demand best does social justice."

A MINUTE (Copyright 1927.)

NATIONAL DISAGREEMENT.

offensive, good-natured mortal so handsomely about his part as he has no interest in an ordinarily radiate international when insulted, though, we hurl of defiance, kick over the ash-tray, concord, throw the pipe through the window, and practice bayonet with a pencil. Such an occasion. L'Echo de Paris says imperialism is no better than mud. To put the matter into words as possible, that statement N. E. by N. from the truth, once, ours is not imperialism, bring the blessings of loans, quality production, store of dangerous moral responsibility—American neighbors, who, oh, want them, is that imperialism? It is spreading grade A. Normal, and if our neighbors do not and holy mission of the Normal time they found out. Evenism, it is bigger, better, grainer imperialism than Europe France send 2500 Marines, airplanes, rifles and machine gun country? She would not, our imperialism is nearer in who claims our brand is no not know what he is talking

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FABLE.

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Gov. Ritchie and Senator acceptable as Democratic candidate to the Antislavery League. We see out of the impasse is operators to content themselves as Vice President.

Conversations.

Books are suppressed in

'Smoking, friend, libraries and home.'

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J. D. H.

SAYS WIVES HAVE LOWEST VOTE RECORD

Mrs. Gellhorn Gives Result of Survey in Five States—Percentage Figures Inexact.

Post-Dispatch Bureau, 20-23 Wyatt Building, WASHINGTON, April 30.—Women are poorer voters than men and the wife in the household has the lowest voting record of all the family." Mrs. George Gellhorn of St. Louis said today in an address to the National League of Women Voters.

Mr. Gellhorn reported on the results of a survey made by the league in selected communities in five states. Summarizing the studies she declared that her committee had reached the following five general conclusions on the "voting habit."

1. The percentage of women who use their vote is lower than that of men; in other words, women are poorer voters than men.

2. The head of the family holds the best record as a voter. Next to the head of the family comes the son and daughter, and last the wife.

3. Persons belonging to the middle-aged group have the largest voting percentage; those of the youngest group the lowest voting percentage.

4. The better the education, the higher the voting percentage of the group.

5. In surveys that covered several elections it was proven that a much higher percentage of persons voted at one or more elections than is shown in a survey of a single election. A very small percentage of the total eligible voters never use their franchise.

SENDS \$12 TO PAY FOR HIS ADMISSION TO WORLD'S FAIR

Man in Pennsylvania Says He Got on Pass: Sum Added to St. Louis' Conscience Fund.

A man who got into the world's

Fair here in 1904 and who now resides at Lake Ariel, Pa., has sent City Commissioner Buechner \$12 because he said his conscience hurt him to think that he had evaded the gate charge.

"Although I came honestly by the pass," he wrote, "I am not satisfied. I close \$12, will cover the entrance fee and interest." The writer asked that his name be withheld.

City Treasurer Buechner has added the \$12 to the city's "conscience fund." The Louisiana State Exposition Co. would be the rightful owner of the \$12, had it not disbanded.

SMOKE FUND LACKS \$5900

Goal of \$250,000 Expected to Be Reached Monday.

Only \$566 of the \$250,000 fund for three years' work of the Citizens' Smoke Abatement League remains to be raised. The fund is expected to be completed by Monday.

Larger subscriptions announced today were: Roxana Petroleum Corporation, \$3000; Lacide Steel Co., \$1000; Justin T. Flint Laundry Co., \$125; Bauman-Massa Jewelry Co., \$100; American Brake Co., \$100.

Saint-Gaudens Memorial Assured

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, April 30.—Retention of the Saint-Gaudens home

in Cornish, N. H., as a permanent memorial to the late Augustus Saint-Gaudens, American sculptor, was assured today with announcement that the necessary sum of \$100,000 had been raised. The estate had been maintained as a public memorial to the sculptor by his widow until her death last July.

Novels Sent to Parliament.

By the Associated Press.

EDINBURGH, Scotland, April 30.—John Buchan, historian and novelist, was elected member of Parliament for the Scottish Universities on the Conservative ticket today in a by-election necessitated by the death of the former member, Sir Henry Craik.

School Pupils to Give Concert.

Schools of Marshall Public School,

accompanied by an orchestra, will give a concert at Summer High School this evening at 8:15 o'clock.

ALTERS SCHOOLBOOK PREFACE

Chicago Superintendent Mentions Revolutionary Heroes.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

CHICAGO, April 30.—Baron Ago Maltzan, German Ambassador to the United States, quoted a popular song at a banquet in his honor last night to express his country's feeling toward Vice President Dawes and the United States.

Turning to Dawes, the Ambassador said:

"When skies were gray You came our way— That's why we love you."

He followed with a speech of thanks for the Dawes plan, terming it the salvation of Germany.

You showed us that you can do during the war," he said.

Your troops decided its trend, and America became Germany's greatest friend. When the armistice was signed, the war was really won for America."

MRS. NANCY BRADFORD DIES

Illinois Was Elected President of Bank in 90th Year.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

GREENVILLE, Ill., April 30.—Mrs. Nancy R. Bradford, who had the distinction of being elected president of a bank in her ninetieth year, will be buried at her home in Greenville, Ill., at 2:30 p.m. today. She died last Saturday of pneumonia at her winter home in Long Beach, Cal.

Since 1867 a Bradford has been

president of the National Bank of

Greenville. It was founded by her father-in-law, James Bradford, and at his death in 1886 the office passed to her husband, Samuel. He was succeeded by their oldest son, John S. Bradford, in 1891. When he died in July, 1925, his wife, Lydia, presided. Six months ago she resigned and Mrs. Nancy Bradford was elected. Although she was not actively engaged in the banking business, she was frequently consulted by her daughters. She is survived by two grandsons, Edward J. Bradford, assistant cashier of the bank, and John M. Bradford of Long Beach, Cal.

COUNTY POLICE RELIEF SOCIETY.

Application for a pro forma

order of incorporation of the St.

Louis County Police Relief Association was filed in the Circuit Court at Clayton yesterday.

The association, which is open to

all county peace officers, will care for

its members when sick or disabled

and will work for improved po-

lice conditions. Charles H. Boen-

ach, chief deputy constable of

Central Township, is president;

A. L. Fidler, Justice of the Peace of

Woodland, treasurer.

Hoover to DESCRIBE FLOOD IN RADIO TALK AT 6:30 P.M.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 30.—

Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Com-

mmerce, who has spent a week in

touring the flooded zone from

Memphis to New Orleans, will

summarize his observations in a radio address at 6:30 p.m. from

Station WMC of the Memphis Com-

munity Appeal, which will be

picked up with 30 other stations,

including KSD of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Hoover will talk for 15 minutes. A few minutes later he will de-

part for Washington to report per-

sonally to President Coolidge.

Hoover found the situation in the

vast flooded area so serious that

he will return to Memphis next

week and his "movements will be

up and down the river."

BENZO-GAS MOTOR FUEL CO.

ST. LOUIS

DEATHS

BACALLI—Entered into rest on Friday, April 29, 1927, at 1:25 p. m., at the home of his brother, Joseph Bacalli, 8124 North Euclid, dear wife of J. S. Bacalli, 11, Katherine Francis (nee Bacalli) and son, Edward A. Wilson, deceased. Alfred C. Wilson, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Sunday, April 30, at St. Sylvester's church, Webster Groves. (67)

BRADY—Entered into rest on Thursday, April 28, 1927, at 12:30 p. m., at the home of his brother, Joseph Brady, 8124 North Euclid, dear mother of Mrs. Michael Brady, dead mother of Edward Brady, Mrs. Nellie Lillian Kremer, Mrs. Mabel Wilson, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, April 29, at St. Sylvester's church, Webster Groves. (67)

BRUNING—Entered into rest on Wednesday, April 27, 1927, at 2:35 p. m., Herman Bruning, dearly beloved husband of Mary Bruning, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, April 28, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Ferguson, Mo., to St. John and James Church, Webster Groves. (67)

DINEEN—Entered into rest on Monday, May 1, 1927, at 8:30 a. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Ferguson, Mo., to St. John and James Church, Webster Groves. (67)

DRISCOLL—Thursday, April 28, 1927, our dearly beloved friend, Jack Davis, of the Maryland Hotel, had his thirty-second birthday. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 3 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

DINEEN—Friday, April 28, 1927, at 11:25 p. m., Timothy Dineen, beloved husband of Mrs. Timothy Dineen, deceased. Funeral, 8 a. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

FITZGIBBONS—Entered into rest Friday, April 28, 1927, at 3:15 a. m., William J. Fitzgibbons, deceased. Funeral, 8 a. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

FRERE—Entered into rest on Tuesday, April 28, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Harry Frere, husband of the late Emma Frere, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

GELZINGER—Entered into rest Friday, April 28, 1927, at 7:45 p. m., Cecilia Gelzinger, beloved sister of Mrs. Agnes Gelzinger, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

HORN—Entered into rest on Friday, April 28, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Cecilia Horn, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Horn, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

KERSEY—Entered into rest on Friday, April 28, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Cecilia Kersey, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kersey, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

GUINNEY—Suddenly, on Wednesday, April 27, 1927, at 11 p. m., Jerome Guinney, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

JAY—Tuesday, April 28, 1927, at 11 p. m., Mrs. Charles W. Jay, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

KRUEGER—Entered into rest on Friday, April 28, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Cecilia Krueger, beloved sister of Mrs. Agnes Krueger, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

HATFIELD—Friday, April 29, 1927, at 10:30 a. m., and Mrs. Charles W. Hatfield and mother of his wife, Mrs. Helen Hatfield, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

KRUEGER—Entered into rest on Thursday, April 27, 1927, at 11 p. m., Jerome Krueger, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

MURPHY—Wednesday, April 27, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Mrs. Charles Murphy, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

MILLER—Entered into rest on Friday, April 27, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Elizabeth Miller, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

PFEIFFER—Entered into rest on Thursday, April 27, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Michael Pfeiffer, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

SPALDING—Entered into rest on Friday, April 27, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Thomas Spalding, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

RICHMAN—Entered into rest on Friday, April 27, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., Mrs. Esther Richman, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

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ROACH—On Thursday, April 28, 1927, at 11:30 a. m., at the home of his brother, Joseph Roach, 8124 North Euclid, dear wife of Officer Daniel J. Roach, dear sister of J. S. Roach, 11, and son of Mrs. Roach, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, April 29, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

WILSON—On Saturday, April 29, in her eighty-first year, Mrs. Wilson, widow of Alfred C. Wilson, mother of Edward A. Wilson, deceased. Funeral, 3 p. m., Saturday, April 29, at 2:30 p. m., from residence, 20 Royal Avenue, Webster Groves. (67)

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STOCK PRICE MOVEMENTS IRREGULAR

Renewed Selling in Late Market Brings Reaction After Early Upturn Helped by Short Covering

STOCK MARKET AVERAGES.

NEW YORK, April 30.—Total sales yesterday, 1,291,300; a week ago and 3,072,600; a year ago. Total sales from Jan. 1 to date were 135,791,100 shares, compared with 137,321,000 a year ago.

By Leased Wire from the New York Bureau of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, April 30.—The Evening Post in its copyrighted financial review today, says:

"Under the impetus principally of a continuation of yesterday's covering movement speculative leaders among the industrials and rails moved forward with considerable vigor in early dealings today. Weekly trade summaries while commenting on the likely effects of the flood damage in the Mississippi Valley, are not of much sanguine on the outlook and the Department of Commerce figures on the volume of trade in the third week of April were encouraging. But toward the end of the short session renewed selling was active and gains were quickly eliminated. Weekend realising was quite heavy and demand was curtailed by a disposition to await the news over the recess period.

Fresh Reaction Develops.

"That early strength in the leaders was attributable largely to a resumption of the covering movement which got under way late on Friday and which has since progressed. The bulge in General Motors brought out fresh offerings in volume sufficient to not alone cancel the morning's advance, but push the stock below the Friday closing level. Such continued to force back to new low ground for the movement and leading rails joined in the downward swing. Fresh speculative pressure was added to the weight of usual weekend realising sales."

Commodity Markets Firm.
Prices in the principal commodity markets showed little change of late. While the blizzard of the winter designed to reduce the pressure of the Mississippi flood somewhat disappointing in its early stages, there was a covering movement in cotton which carried active months up to 10c per pound. Grains were active and strong but rather disappointing in view of closing strength at Liverpool.

Clearing House Statement.
The statement of the New York Clearing House issued on noon showed excess reserve of \$4,448,280 against \$21,291,279, a week ago. Loans, discounts, etc., were \$3,783,701,000 and net demand deposits were \$4,002,241,000.

Exchange Market Study.
The foreign exchanges maintained a steady tone with a fair demand in evidence for Italian lira, Norwegian kroner and Japanese yen.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE
NEW YORK, April 30.—Following is a list of quotations in the foreign exchange market:
ENGLAND—Sterling, £4.85%;
\$4.81 16-18.
ITALY—Lira, £1.27-27.
GERMANY—Mark, £1.27-27.
HOLLAND—Flora, £4.95-96.
NORWAY—Krone, £1.27-27.
SWEDEN—Krone, £1.27-27.
DENMARK—Krone, £1.27-27.
SWITZERLAND—Fr., £1.27-27.
SPAIN—Peso, £1.27-27.
GALAND—Peso, £1.27-27.
CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Crown, £1.27-27.
YUGOSLAVIA—Dinar, £1.27-27.
ROMANIA—Leu, £1.27-27.
ARGENTINA—Peso, £1.27-27.
TOKYO—Yen, £47.87.
MONTEVIDEO—Peso, £1.27-27.

CLEARINGS, MONEY AND SILVER

The St. Louis Clearing House Association reported clearings for April 30, 1927, total \$1,250,000,000; for March, \$1,250,000,000; for February, \$1,250,000,000; for January, \$1,250,000,000. Report of debts for April 29, 1927, were debts to individuals \$20,000,000; debts to banks and bankers' accounts \$1,250,000,000; debts to railroads \$1,250,000,000; total combined debts were \$1,250,000,000. Total to date \$1,250,000,000 and total and bank debts \$1,250,000,000.

NEW YORK, April 30.—Bar silver, £1,000 per oz.; gold, £1,000 per oz.

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ON LOCAL MARKET

LOUIS MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE
—Following are quotations on
the local market for quantities
of grain and flour, etc., received
from Kansas City and Chicago.

High. Low. Close. Yesterday.
MAY WHEAT

137 1/2 136 1/2 136 1/2 137 1/2
131 1/2 130 1/2 130 1/2 130 1/2
138 1/2 135 1/2 135 1/2 136 1/2
130 1/2 129 1/2 129 1/2 129 1/2
30 1/2 29 1/2 29 1/2 29 1/2

JULY WHEAT

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SEPTEMBER WHEAT

130 1/2 129 1/2 129 1/2 129 1/2
MAY CORN

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JULY CORN

80 1/2 80 1/2 80 1/2 80 1/2
78 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
77 1/2 77 1/2 77 1/2 77 1/2

SEPTEMBER CORN

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82 1/2 82 1/2 82 1/2 82 1/2

MAY OATS

45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2
JULY OATS

46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2
SEPTEMBER OATS

45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2

Hard Red

MAY RYE

107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2
JULY RYE

106 1/2 104 1/2 104 1/2 105 1/2
SEPTEMBER RYE

98 1/2 97 1/2 97 1/2 97 1/2

SPORT SECTION

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

PART TWO

ST. LOUIS, SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 30, 1927.

PAGES 9-12.

STEWART HURLS FOR BROWNS; HAINES FACES RIXEY

HOT OFF THE BAT
By John E. Wray

Nothing Wrong With De Mar.

CLARENCE DE MAR, 33-year-old marathon runner, may have "hypertrophy of the arteries" but he hasn't withdrawn from competition because of it, nor will it keep him from trying for the Olympic team of 1928.

The world's most consistent marathon runner is giving the laugh to stories, broadcast after his fifth victory in the American marathons that doctors' findings made it impossible for him to continue his athletic career.

De Mar denies that he has any physical trouble and says that he feels no ill effects from his long years of marathoning. "Can't see a thing wrong," he smiling told interviewers.

De Mar Not a Patient.

The story was based on an investigation made just June. De Mar was not a patient but a voluntary exhibitor who submitted to tests merely to oblige physicians who wanted to experiment to learn what happened to a marathon runner who ran so frequently.

The report of the commission did not appraise De Mar's physical condition or recommend any abstention from athletics. It merely called attention to an unusual condition whereby "each beat of the heart was pushing more blood through the circulation system per beat."

The reports also stated that De Mar's system had the ability to burn up all the products of fatigue.

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MRS. SNYDER TO BE EXAMINED BY STATE MONDAY

Record in Evidence Upon Which State Relies to Convict Her Although She Now Repudiates It.

Counsel for Gray, Co-defendant in Murder Trial, Will Join in Effort to Shake Her Story.

SHE PLACES SOLE BLAME ON ADMIRER

Says She Joined in Tale That Burglar Killed Husband Because Gray Threatened Her.

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, April 30.—Mrs. Ruth Snyder, who from the witness stand yesterday placed the entire blame for the murder of her husband, Albert Snyder, is relied upon by the State for conviction, despite its repudiation yesterday by Mrs. Snyder.

The confession, admitted in evidence before Mrs. Snyder took the stand, is the boiled-down version of the killing as originally admitted by the wife and her former lover.

Because Mrs. Snyder complained that the unbridged confession was too long for her to read and correct, and went too much into personal details, Assistant District Attorney Wallace, with her aid, dictated the document which follows, using Mrs. Snyder's language wherever she wished it substituted for his. The statement of Mrs. Snyder follows in full:

"People vs. Ruth May Snyder. Statement made at the office of the District Attorney on March 21, 1927.

"My name is Ruth May Snyder and I want to make a full and truthful statement about the death of my husband, Albert Snyder, and I understand that anything I may say may be used against me. I reside at No. 9227 22nd street, Queens Village, and am 32 years of age on March 27, 1927.

"A crowded court room listened closely as Mrs. Snyder told of the early morning of March 20 when her husband, Albert Snyder, was killed while he slept in his Queen's Village home.

Generally calm and self-possessed, the 32-year-old widow with occasionally lapsed into tears at one time, sobbed bitterly and on several occasions gave vent to harsh outcries of denunciation of Gray with whom she is charged with the murder.

She repudiated the confession in which she had admitted plotting her husband's death with Gray, asserting it had been obtained under duress and testified that instead of helping to kill her husband as charged in Gray's confession, she actually tried to save him.

Brief Period of Tears.

The accused woman, however, has still to face her last trying ordeal. On Monday, when she completes her story, she will be cross-examined by the State and by counsel for her co-defendant, Gray.

Mrs. Snyder seemed calm when she took the stand and answered the preliminary questions of her counsel, Edgar F. Hazleton in an assured voice that carried to the farthest corners.

Only when the examination came to the birth of her daughter did she show any emotion. Then briefly, she held a handkerchief to her eyes and wept. The questioning soon went on. She said her husband was angry because their child was not a boy.

The story she told of the murder was, in brief, as follows:

Her married life, she said, was unhappy almost from the very beginning. Her husband never loved her and so after years passed she sought love elsewhere. She met Henry Judd Gray and their relations became intimate.

Beginning of Plot.

Then, she related, he began to pester her to get rid of her husband so they could enjoy his insurance together. He sent her poison powders, which she threw away; he duped her into carrying home the sashweight, which had figured so largely in the trial; he went to her house once to commit the murder and she sent him away.

Gray, said Mrs. Snyder, borrowed money from her. He borrowed \$30 to pay an installment on his car. He borrowed \$200 to pay for "Alice of Buffalo," another "sweetheart." He borrowed other sums, but repaid none. In the early part of 1927 the plot, she said, began to take definite shape. She was going out of her home one day. Her husband was asleep. She tripped over a gas cock near the floor. When she returned, she found her husband staggering about the house. He said he had been almost asphyxiated.

She wrote of this to Gray. His reply, she quoted loudly, was: "Then—bad the hose won't long enough to go into the Governor's office."

On the nineteenth of March, she said, Gray sneaked into her home at night after writing her he was coming to kill her husband. She got her husband and daughter to sleep and then confronted him.

"He kissed me," she said. "and I felt his rubber gloves on my face. Then I knew he really meant to do it."

Tried to Prevent Murder.

She said she pleaded with him and got him downstairs. There she left him for a moment and while she was in the bathroom she said she heard a "terrific thud."

"I ran out into the bath," she almost screamed from the stand. "And I saw Judd Gray beating my husband over the head with the sashweight. I grabbed him by the neck in an attempt to save my husband and he pushed me so that I fainted. When I came to it was all over and my husband was."

Here Mrs. Snyder broke into violent sobbing, which took some moments to bring under control. Then she told of helping Gray with the story that Snyder had been killed by burglar because he threatened her.

"I had just seen him kill my husband," she said. "and I was more afraid that if I did not do as he ordered he would finish me off."

TEXT OF MRS. RUTH SNYDER'S FIRST STORY OF HER HUSBAND'S MURDER



Describes Making All Preparations for Killing and Calling in Murderer When Victim Fell Asleep.

see that the cellar door and the kitchen door would be unlocked. At the party at Fitzgerald's I was careful so that I wouldn't drink too much intoxicating liquor and on one occasion suggested that they give my drink to my husband. We had been drinking ginger ale highballs at Fitzgerald's. My husband and daughter and I arrived home about 2 a.m. on Sunday morning, the 20th.

"While Mr. Gray and I were in my mother's room before we got into my husband's room we had planned that in order to avoid detection, to upset the house and throw the stuff in the house around, so that it would look like a burglary or robbery, and we had planned that I was to open the door that it was a robbery. After we had disposed of the shirt and paper around the weight, then went back upstairs and emptied out all the drawers in the rooms except my daughter's room.

"After upsetting everything upstairs we then came downstairs and upset everything and then took the wallet out of my husband's pocket, which I have been shown at the District Attorney's office and which I have marked with the initials R. M. B. on his identification card.

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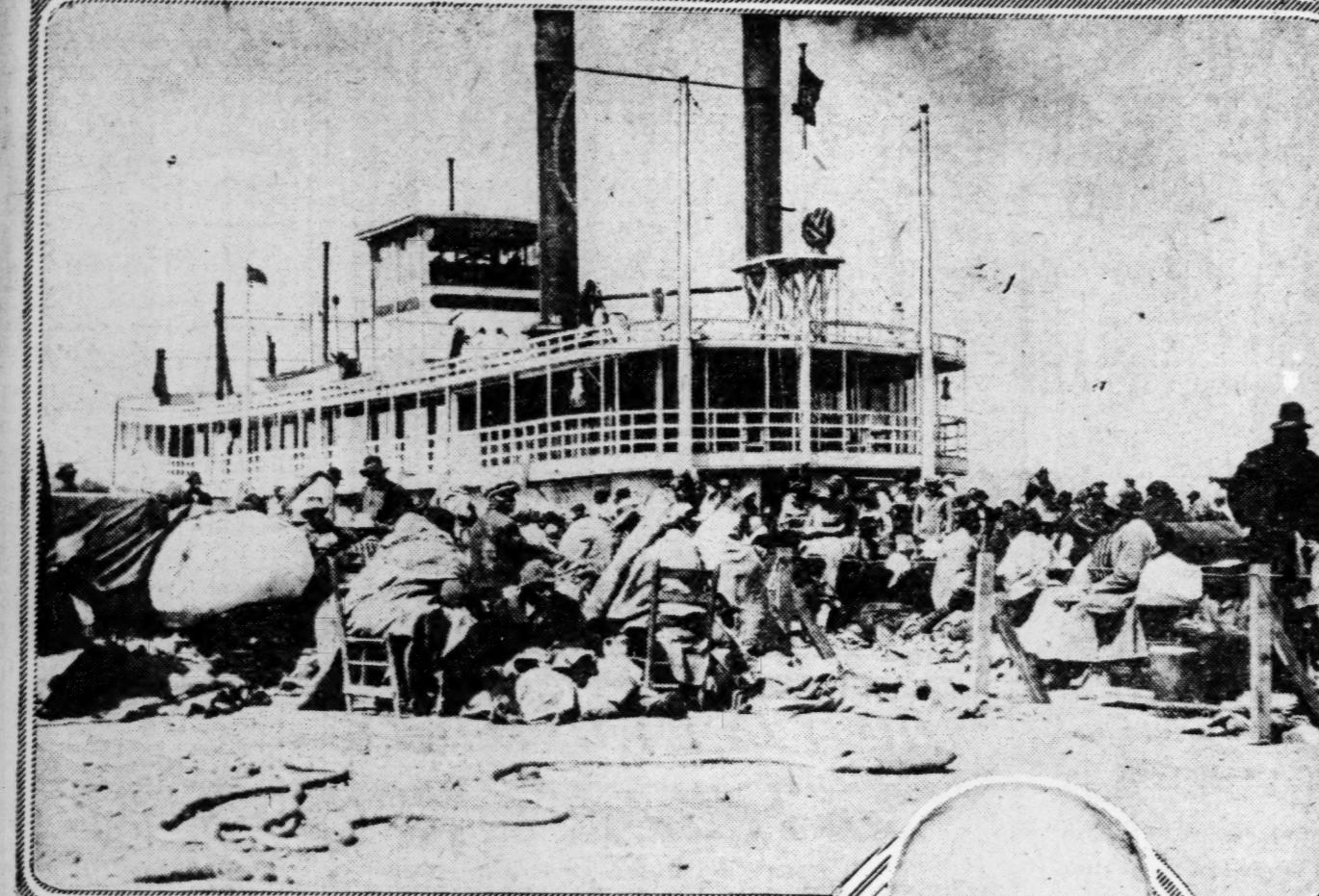
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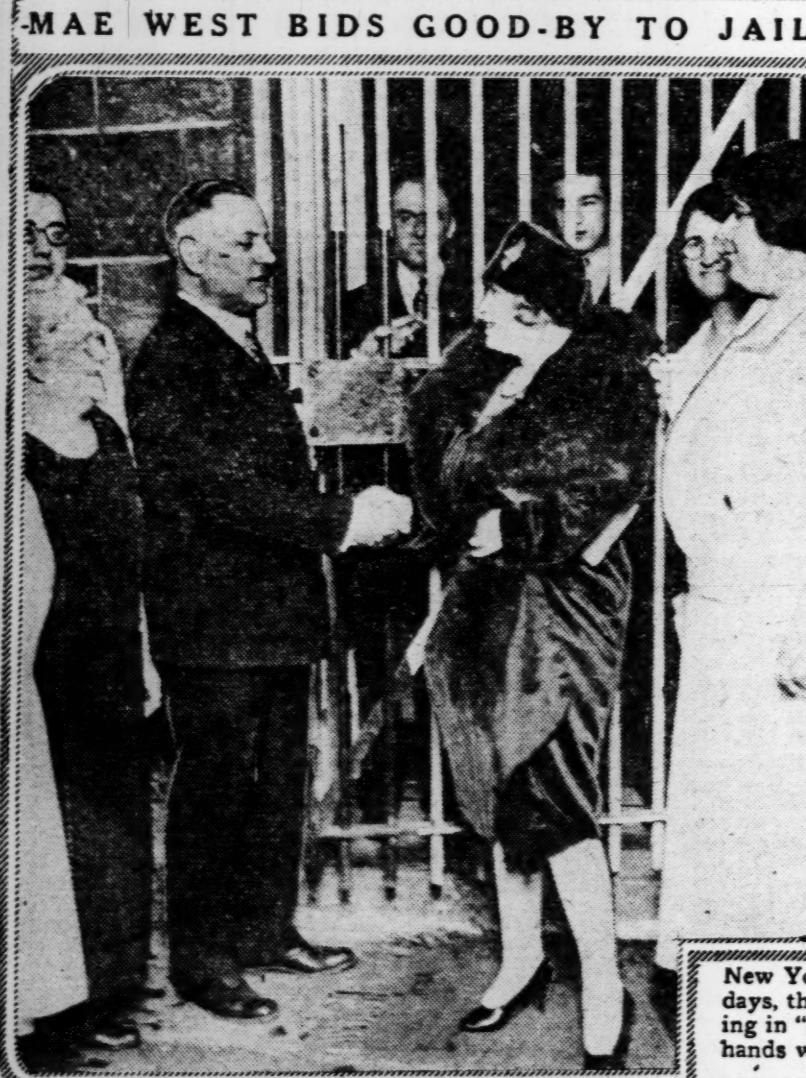


There was no place else to go when the break occurred north of Greenville, Miss., letting the flood into the town. It was at least a place where the people could wait until boats came to take them away.

—P & A photo.

The Tollinger is kept busy taking refugees from the levees to camps on higher ground. Here the boat is taking off plantation workers and their belongings at Scott, Miss.

—P & A photo.



NEW PRESIDENT OF TOWN CLUB

Miss Jennie Wahlert, chosen at the annual meeting of the women's organization, is a supervisor in the primary grades of the public schools and lives at 2918 Harper street.

Kalwara photo.

HOSPITAL FINISH FOR MARATHON DANCER

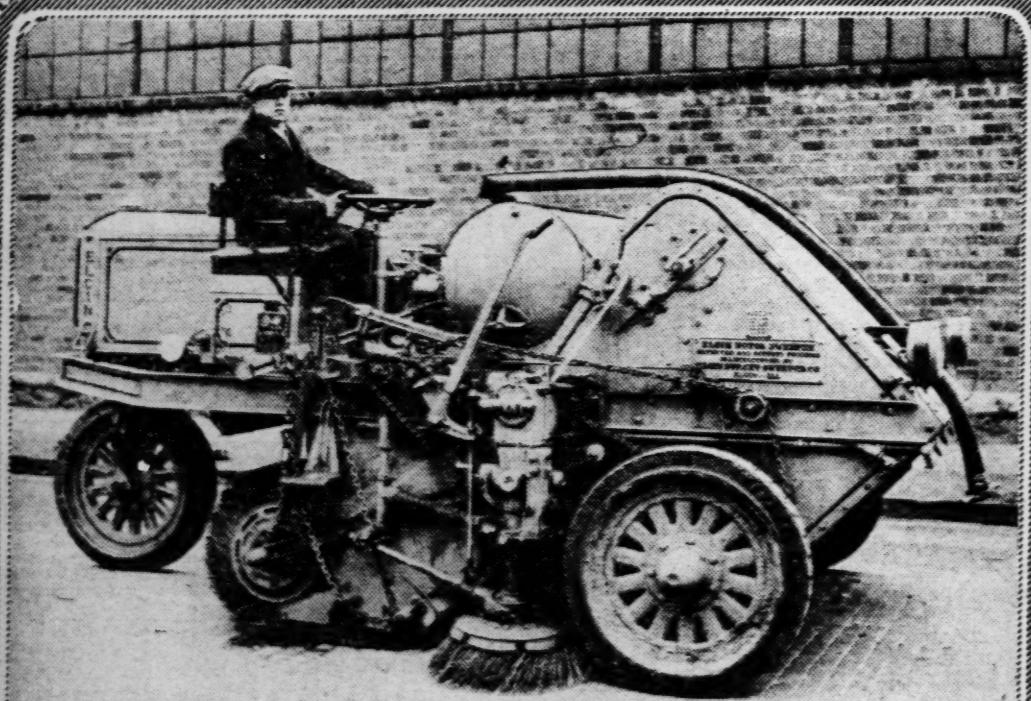


This girl tried to dance all the way from Venice to Los Angeles, Cal., but collapsed and was taken away in an ambulance. The health authorities stopped the dance when it had gone on for 21 hours.

Miss Martha Lewis as the Duchess of Luna Moths at the spring fiesta in commemoration of the battle of San Jacinto and the liberation of Texas from Mexican rule.

Wide World photo.

NEW BROOM FOR ST. LOUIS STREETS



PREMIER MUSSOLINI IN REPOSE



It is not to his liking but he has to sit still because M. Grossman, New York artist and etcher, is making a portrait of him. The sitting is in the Premier's palace at Rome.

—International photo.



Archbishop Jose Mora y Del Rio, ranking head of the Catholic Church in Mexico (seated in center) and other high officials of the episcopate, accused of inciting rebellion, arrive in Laredo, Tex.

Wide World photo.

Destructive Children

By Angelo Patri

Angele Patri is just the principal of a New York grade school, but the late Charles W. Eliot, president of Harvard, said Patri is doing more for common-school education than any other person in America. This school, a model in every respect, is a mecca for teachers from all parts of the country.

"I HAVE to go out, Aunt Amanda. Do you think you could keep an eye on Honey for an hour?"

"Why not? I'd like to see the child I couldn't mind for an hour. He isn't born yet," said Aunt Amanda with sniffs and nods and wise grimaces.

"There's only one thing. His want to use the scissors. I've put them away, but he's very bright and quick and he may get at something to cut up. You can't be clever enough for him when he starts after something."

"Leave him to me," said Aunt Amanda. "Never fear. He won't cut anything while I'm here."

So mother started away cheerfully enough. She did her shopping and returned promptly. As she entered the front hall her ear caught a familiar sound, the sound of scissors falling from a guilty hand.

She entered the little room that opened off the living room just as Aunt Amanda entered it from the other door. In the center of the room stood Honey, who had been laying out red and yellow fluffs, the chenille balls off the cherished old table cover, an heirloom. At his feet lay the scissors. Aunt Amanda's scissors, fished from her basket.

"The destructive young rascal," said she, red in the face and fairly quivering with wrath. "If ever a child deserves a whaling he does. If he was mine he wouldn't have to wait for it."

Poor mother stood looking at the wreck and the abashed little culprit. Then she looked at Aunt Amanda. "I just closed my eyes for an instant. Just an instant. And he steals the scissors from my basket and does such a thing as that. I hope you are going to whip him as soundly as he deserves."

"Honey, you've been very naughty. You took Aunt Amanda's scissors and you cut my lovely table cover that grandmother gave me. You've made me feel very bad and Aunt Amanda too. Put the scissors back where you got them and then go sit on the chair until the big hand on the clock gets to 12. Right there."

"Aren't you going to spank him? You ought to. And make a pack of those balls and strings and tie it round his neck. I'd make him remember that he wasn't to cut MY things," said outraged Aunt Amanda.

"I couldn't spank him. I don't think it's right. He is at the cutting age. All I can do is to give him a blunt pair of scissors and let him practice cutting things that can be cut without harm—newspapers and rags and colored paper. By and by he will learn."

"Maybe he will," said Aunt Amanda. "But that won't put the fringe on again."

Would the spanking? And wasn't Auntie angry at herself for not watching the child? And wouldn't it be unfair to take that anger out on the little boy?

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Another article by Mr. Patri will appear Monday.

THE INTIMATE TOUCH

By Gladys H. Bevans

UP because a room is small it doesn't always have the intimate touch. A few choice pieces in room should have. Small pieces of furniture supply detail in a decorative ensemble and so help to produce the needed warmth. There are many lovely things on a small scale worked out in color that are to be had now at a very moderate price.

There are side cabinets in pairs, standing ones, of course, that produce a charming effect placed on each side of a doorway, or small tables against the wall. They are usually painted and decorated and can be as gay as intended as you please. They are elastic in use, housing collections of carvings or glass, or even books.

Magazine racks, the portable kind, are a convenience which can be considered an effective addition to a much-used room. They are still made in the natural woods and leather. The former are sometimes delicately colored and decorated and in other cases they are painted with the brilliance and gaiety of the impulsive looking peasant craftsmanship. The leather ones are often highly quilted and studded with an eye to the effectiveness of the nailheads as well as to the security they insure of keeping the leather in place.

To go back to the curio cabinets. They are being designed in all sorts of shapes so long as they wear away from the straight and perpendicular, as you might say. Some have fluted tops, others are scalloped, with little overhanging aprons, and almost all of them bear some sort of decoration. One type particularly is carried out in a way that makes one think of Swiss chalets and cuckoo clocks and cowbells in the distance.

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Smartest Gowns in Paris Described by Mme. Charlotte



Directrice of Premet's Famous Paris Establishment Tells What Is Seen At Fashionable Cafe on Champs Elysees.

By MME. CHARLOTTE
Directrice of Premet's.

PARIS. SHALL tell you today what the smart women of Paris are wearing, especially in the afternoon. Only those who are scratching a few weeks away from the Riviera in winter or early spring go dancing in the afternoon at the Volterra. It on the Champs Elysees, near Jenny's famous dressmaking establishment.

Here, in the spring, as soon as the new women come up to Paris to select their new clothes, one gets the first hint of what they are finding in the new collections that precede their discriminating taste.

Black Predominates.

On the room's background of red and gold the colors of this season's creations stand out remarkably. Black forms the greater part of the color scheme, and the lighter colors combine with it or are set off by it. Gray in the lighter shades, slightly mauve, slightly rose, strikes one's attention at once. Many of the younger women are wearing it in the afternoon, and the effect is charming. Of the lighter gray has been chosen as the best of all may be judge by the many green ones which accompany the black and the gray for an afternoon of dancing.

Combinations of black and white stand out particularly, not only because black and white always is striking, but because there are so many of them. Some pastel shades are used on black as well as on gray. Some women fear the unbecomingness of an all-gray dress and prefer to soften it with one of the sprightly shades in grayed or gray-green.

At the moment one of the other of the two most popular American Negroes, by the way, the women with their partners throng the small dancing floor. One can get an impression not only of the color, but of the materials which have found favor in the eyes of Parisians, as they crowd past on their way to dance. Flat crepes predominate, and of these marocain, especially black, is the most widely worn. The more dressy gown is of crepe Elizabeth or heavy georgette. There are even a few afternoon dresses of black lace, foreshadowing the predicted vogue for light beige lace dresses for mid-summer wear.

Many Heavier Materials.

Most of the dresses are of heavier materials, however, for smart women are far more likely to be dressed in street clothes than to appear in anything at all elaborate. Even crepelle and light wools often are worn. There are a few crepe de chine dresses being worn at tea already, but it is a little early to see them in very great numbers. One certain detail may be made from those already seen: smart women, and worn will be in the most patterned and that here women are going to get away from blacks and even the pastel colors. The prints are small designs, often in white, on quite bright backgrounds. And they invariably form part of an ensemble, of which some of the coats are in plain material, as in former seasons, but many of which have unlined coats of the same print as the dress. A number of these prints are made of challis.

Grays Find Wide Favor.

The majority of the women have chosen, for their street and afternoon clothes, at any rate, the straight line. The same line that they have been wearing so becomingly for the last few seasons. There are no more perfectly straight, bellies dresses, however. Every dress has a belt, and out of this mass of chic tea drinkers some have elected to raise their waist lines a little, in no case as high as the natural waist. Other women refuse to make even that small change in line.

All the smart women in smart colors, those in gray are the most pleasing to the eye. It is, perhaps,

A DESCRIPTION of the creations shown above, left to right, follows:

Dress and coat of parchment-colored crepe de chine and champagne-colored crepe with colored dots.

Dress of orange-colored crepe de chine and plaid crepe with pleated skirt and trimming of black satin.

Dress of wool jersey in old rose, embroidered with several rows of stitching of the same color. Collar of blue georgette.

Afternoon dress of blue chiffon printed with black flowers.

Dress of blue-green tussor with narrow bindings of black satin.

Dress of sapphire blue wool trimmed with blue printed white kid.

Dress of fine navy-blue reps. Binding and buttons of gray lizard.

Evening dress of pastel blue crepe de chine embroidered in diamonds, with bands of silver embroidery with paillettes.

Dress of crepe georgette in Chinese blue georgette brocade and plain blue georgette.

Coat of pearl gray mousseline trimmed with cire braide and plain blue georgette.

Because gray has not been worn for such a long time. The tendency is to wear a gray hat of a deeper shade than the dress. All these gray dresses are simple. One smart blonde woman had on a pearl gray crepe Elizabeth dress with a plain yoke. The entire remainder of the dress was tucked with two-inch tucks, stitched in. The dress had a V neck with a band around it which tied in front. The straight sleeve was fairly large and tucked in the bottom. With the rayon gown the woman wore a tight-fitting, dark gray felt turban. Her bag was of gray crepe with a silver clasp. Gray antelope shoes, open pumps with steel buckles and gray stockings completed one of the smartest costumes to be seen that day. The chief charm of the ensemble lay in its perfect harmony and simplicity.

Of the great amount of black and white to be seen at tea two combinations were particularly striking. Both of them had white blouses.

Both the blouse and the skirt had a blouse of white silk pile. This material is marvelous for tailored blouses. The particular blouse which this woman had on was made with a high neck and a very small turn-over collar.

The blouse was draped down the front with small crystal buttons. The dress appeared to be made in one piece, for it hung rather straight. The skirt, of heavy black crepe, was tight at the hips with tucks, folded in, and slightly draped up, folded in with a circular movement. This gave an uneven effect to the hem line.

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Hilton Work's
Bridge Pointers

A pointer for today is:
In some hands Dummy should
play an unnecessarily high card
as first trick in order to ob-
serve the lead.

Illustration of this pointer,
the following deal:

North	East	South
♦ A-Q-10 ♦ 9-5-3 ♦ 6-4-2 ♦ 0-7-3 A-Q-10-5-4	♦ 8-6-5-4-2 K-J-7 K-9-5 3-2	♦ A-Q-10-6 ♦ A-Q-9 ♦ K-8
♦ K-9 ♦ A-Q-10-6 ♦ A-Q-9		

In South playing a no-trump
act, the five clubs would be
a original lead. The Declarer
signing the rule of eleven and
getting five from 11, would
that there were just six clubs
than the card led, not in
hand or the leaders, and all
are in Closed Hand and
East cannot hold any club
than the five, so the trick
taken with the eight in the
Hand. But it is in the
Closed hand, not in the
that the next lead is desired:
takings each time. Dummy
tree entries in spades, but may
four—two leads of hearts and
of diamonds. Playing the
clubs on the first trick will
the number of club tricks
won by Declarer, so Dummy
a win trick 1 and, trick 2,
a diamond. When the finesse
trick 3 should be used to give
the lead with a spade;
lead a second diamond and
finesse; trick 5, lead ace of
ods to see if adverse dia-
drops; and trick 6, utilize
my second spade entry. Dum-
having another entry, do not
cash Dummy's thirteenth dia-
and force an awkward dis-
from Closed Hand; but lead a
and having less than nine in
two hands, take a double
(playing the 10). When that
Dum-
Dummy's last spade cashes
the thirteenth diamond,
ding a club from Closed
lead another heart and make
it plain by the fortunate break
arts.

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Explodes
One Fallacy

THE RAGGED EDGE

BY HENRY C. ROWLAND

INSTALLMENT XXXII.

Bengal Is Hit.

BENGAL continued to argue with Carillon. "Your jewel man is not thiefvery. It's a mental defect, and every mental defect has its remedy, if one can find it." That devil's ace of an "if" everything's been tried. I've been washed with, the best in me appealed to, prayed over by Christian leaders, even had treatments of psychotherapy by a specialist in Paris. He tried hypnotism, but it wouldn't work. It acted as a stimulant, an irritant, and made me hungrier than ever for beauti-
ful glowing gems." . . . Her voice came breathlessly. "The more my mind is centered on them the worse it gets, no matter how great the effort. It's no good. Every-
thing's been tried."

Bengal leaned back against the rocky wall. "Everything but me, Carillon. If I were your husband I would be always close to fight off this devil that torments you."

"The risk is too great, Bungle darling. You can fight and still acquire vices, but not hereditary ones."

"But you can," Bengal protested, plaintively. "Don't try to tell me that the vice of an unscrupulous master is so strongly planted that it can be torn out root and stalk by a living man who loves you as he does. Mankind has always struggled under hereditary curses of some sort, and it struggled up to the year of their birth, and kept the curse living and growing. It would have died out long ago. Not as well admit that Bad is stronger than Good, the Powers of Darkness stronger than the Powers of Light. And Love is Light. Carillon, let us try . . ."

He was standing with his back against the limestone wall, which was at this point fairly smooth. Bengal, facing him, with her eyes fixed on his and breathing heavily from the strain of this moral struggle against both Bengal and her husband seemed for the moment as the point of capitulation. She was of the sort in which strength seems to come in waves, rather than as a constant, steady force, as of them swept her now, as she stared at Bengal's tormented eye.

"No," she said, with a quiet smile. "I can't argue, Bengal. I can only repeat that I love you too, too."

Bengal perceived that he had lost. An overpowering fatigue enveloped him. His head felt all at once like dead weight, a can-
ball, poised on a gate-post, no
more power of reason left in it.
His inertia extended to his limbs.
In his momentary weakness he let his head go back to rest against the wall of rock.

As he did so, the cavern was filled with a thundering detonation. Bengal's body crumpled, sagged, sank down formlessly to the fine white sand.

After a period of blank oblivion, even the animal instinct of speed time failed to measure. Bengal became conscious of tremendous reverberations, great guns in action and volleys at intervals that were irregular.

These concussions seemed to locate him. He was back in Flanders fighting with the unit he had joined in Canada before America's entry into the Great War. Wounded again, evidently, this time somewhere in the head. It seemed to him also that only one ear was registering the sound of firing.

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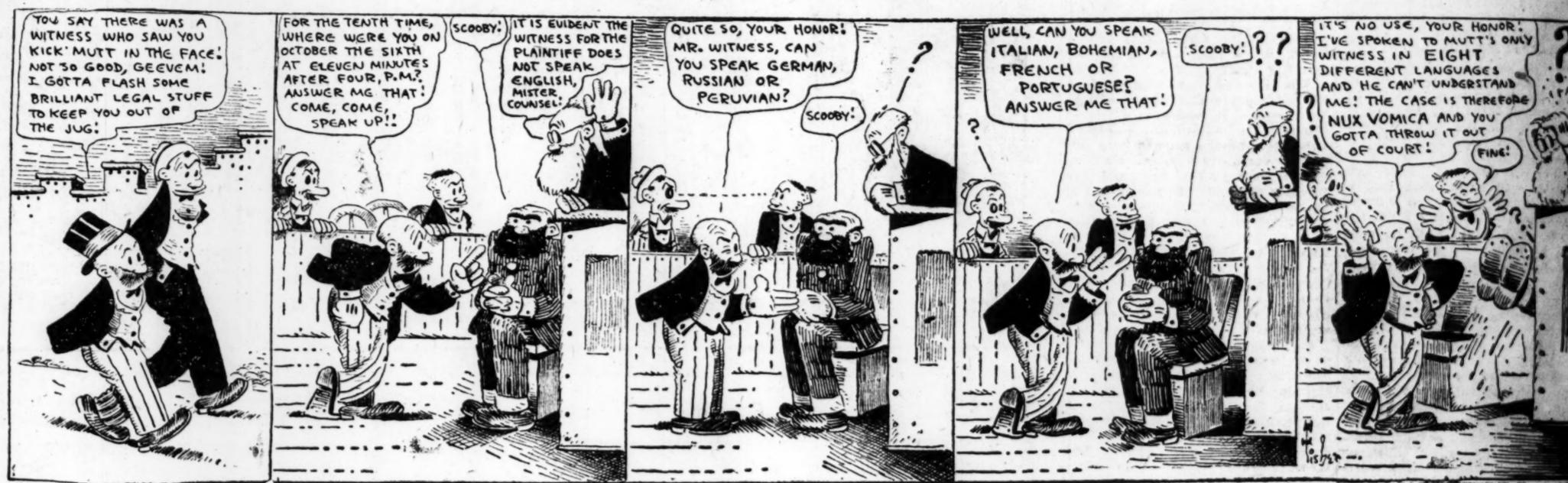
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